

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus comprising:

an acquisition component ~~for acquiring an instruction data in which process information representing as a series of processes a process performed to document data and setting information including at least a setting item and a setting value for setting execution contents of the processes are described;~~that communicates over a network with a device that controls a series of processes to be applied to document data, the acquiring component acquiring an instruction from the device, the instruction instructing to perform a first process included in the series of processes and including setting information representing a setting of the first process;

a display component ~~for displaying a screen on the basis of that displays screen information, which can include an operation, including an operation screen for setting a piece of setting information described in the instruction data;~~instruction;

a designation component ~~for, when that, when~~ the setting information included in the ~~instruction data~~instruction has an attribute representing that changing of the setting information is restricted, ~~designating designates~~ as a display pattern of the setting information having the attribute a display pattern that is different from a display pattern of changeable setting information; and

a display information control component ~~for outputting that controls the display component to display the screen information for displaying the setting information operation screen~~ in accordance with the display ~~pattern~~pattern that is different from the display pattern of changeable setting information.

2. (Original) The image processing apparatus of claim 1, wherein the designation component designates a display pattern in which the setting information is not displayed.

3. (Original) The image processing apparatus of claim 1, wherein the designation component designates as the display pattern a pattern in which image information representing that the setting information is unchangeable is added.

4. (Original) The image processing apparatus of claim 1, wherein the designation component designates as the display pattern a pattern in which the setting information is fixed.

5. (Currently Amended) The image processing apparatus of claim 1, wherein, when a usage authorization is set in the setting information included in the ~~instruction data~~, instruction, the designation component designates the display pattern on the basis of the usage authorization.

6. (Original) An image processing apparatus comprising:
an acquisition component ~~for acquiring an instruction data in which process information representing as a series of processes a process performed to document data and setting information including at least a setting item and a setting value for setting execution contents of the processes are described;~~ that communicates over a network with a device that controls a series of processes to be applied to document data, the acquiring component acquiring an instruction from the device, the instruction instructing to perform a first process included in the series of processes and including setting information representing a setting of the first process;

a display component ~~for displaying a screen on the basis of that displays~~ screen information, which can include an operation, including an operation screen for setting a piece of setting information described in the ~~instruction data~~; instruction;

an input component for inputting the setting information; and

an evaluation component for evaluating, when setting information included in the ~~instruction data~~ instruction has an attribute representing that the setting information is changeable, the setting information input by the input component on the basis of the attribute.

7. (Original) The image processing apparatus of claim 6, wherein the evaluation component evaluates, when an inputtable range of the setting information is expressed as the attribute, whether an input value of the setting information obtained by the input component falls within the inputtable range.

8. (Original) The image processing apparatus of claim 6, wherein the evaluation component evaluates, when input essentiality of the setting information is expressed as the attribute, whether inputting of the setting information is performed by the input component.

9. (Original) The image processing apparatus of claim 6, wherein the evaluation component evaluates, when an input character type of the setting information is expressed as the attribute, whether an input value of the setting information obtained by the input component is the input character type.

10. (Original) The input processing apparatus of claim 6, wherein the display component further displays an evaluation result obtained by the evaluation component.

11. (Original) The image processing apparatus of claim 6, further comprising a change component for changing input setting information to predetermined setting information when an evaluation result obtained by the evaluation component is evaluated to be incorrect.

12. (Original) The image processing apparatus of claim 6, further comprising a setting information storage component for storing setting information input by the input component, wherein, when the next screen is displayed, the setting information stored in the setting information storage component is used.

13. (Currently Amended) An image processing method which can ~~acquire~~ acquire, by communication over a network, an instruction from a device that controls a series of processes to be applied to document data, the instruction instructing to perform a first process included in the series of processes and including setting information representing a setting of the first ~~data in which process information representing as a series of processes a process performed to document data and setting information including at least a setting item and a setting value for setting execution contents of the processes are described, the process,~~ the image processing method comprising the steps of:

displaying a screen on the basis of screen information, which can include an operation including an operation screen for setting a piece of setting information described in the instruction data; instruction;

designating, when the setting information included in the instruction data instruction has an attribute representing that changing of the setting information is restricted, as a display pattern of the setting information having the attribute a display pattern that is different from a display pattern of changeable setting information; and

outputting screen information for displaying the setting information in accordance with the display pattern.

14. (Currently Amended) An image processing method which can ~~acquire~~ acquire, by communication over a network, an instruction data instruction from a device that controls a series of processes to be applied to document data, the instruction instructing to perform a first process included in the series of processes and including setting information representing a setting of the first ~~in which process information representing as a series of processes a process performed to document data and setting information including at least a setting item and a setting value for setting execution contents of the processes are described, process,~~ the image processing method comprising the steps of:

displaying a screen on the basis of screen information, ~~which can~~
~~include~~including an operation screen for setting a piece of setting information described in the
~~instruction data;~~instruction;

inputting the setting information; and

evaluating, when setting information included in the ~~instruction data~~instruction
has an attribute representing that the setting information is changeable, the input setting
information on the basis of the attribute.

15. (New) The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the first
process includes at least one of a noise reduction process of an image included in the
document data, an image rotation process of the image, an Optical Character Recognition
(OCR) process of the image, and an image binding process of the image.

16. (New) The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, further
comprising a transmission component that transmits over the network to the device a result of
the first process being processed according to the setting information set by a user operating
the operation screen.

17. (New) The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the
setting information includes a setting item and a setting value corresponding to the setting
item to be set by the user.

18. (New) The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the
series of processes comprises at least two of a copying process, a printing process, a scanning
process, a facsimile transmitting process, a facsimile receiving process, an e-mail deliver
operation process, a storing in a repository process, a reading from the repository operation,
an OCR (Optical Character Recognition) process of an image, and a noise reduction process
of an image.

19. (New) The image processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the series of processes is to be processed by a plurality of processing devices, each of the processing devices corresponding to each of the processes and communicating over the network.